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IOWA PUBLIC INFORMATION BOARD — AUGUST 2018 MEETING

Meeting. The lowa Public Information Board met on Thursday, August 16, 2018, at the Wallace Building in Des Moines. Administrator Brett Toresdahl provided an update on the Board's FY 2018 budget and noted that there would be a reversion of \$34,343 to the General Fund due to unfilled vacant full-time equivalent (FTE) positions.

The Board took the following actions:

- Accepted Cases. The Board considered a formal complaint filed against Pottawattamie County. The
 complainant alleged that the county had violated lowa Code chapter <u>22</u> by not providing records
 requested by the complainant. The Board also considered a formal complaint filed against the Lucas
 City Council. The complainant alleged that the city amended the agenda for the June 4, 2018,
 meeting to include the topic "job vacancies" without providing at least 24 hours notice or announcing
 at the meeting the required "good cause" for departing from the required notice.
- **Dismissed Cases.** The Board dismissed seven complaints, as the dismissed complaints were found by the Board to be legally insufficient or beyond the jurisdiction of the Board.
- Case Statistics. The Board received an update on the total number of complaints received in July 2018. The Board received 9 formal complaints, 2 informal complaints, 32 informal requests, and 5 miscellaneous requests. According to data collected by the Board, 13.0% of these requests were filed by the media, 45.0% were filed by citizens, and 42.0% were filed by governmental entities.

Next Meeting. The Board's next meeting will be held on September 20, 2018, at 1 p.m. at the Wallace Building in Des Moines.

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